

What is Claimed is:

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1. A microencapsulated or enteric coated composition comprising:  
(a) a mixture of sorbents with specific adsorption  
5 affinities for uremic toxins; and  
(b) a bacterial source which metabolizes urea and ammonia.
2. The composition of claim 1 wherein sorbents of the mixture have specific adsorption affinities for ammonia, urea,  
10 creatinine, phenols, indoles, and middle molecular weight molecules.
3. The composition of claim 1 further comprising a phosphate binding agent.
4. The composition of claim 3 further comprising a  
15 water binding agent.
5. A method of alleviating symptoms of uremia in a patient suffering from uremia comprising administering orally to a patient suffering from uremia a composition of claim 1.
6. A method of alleviating symptoms of uremia in a  
20 patient suffering from uremia comprising administering orally to a patient suffering from uremia a mixture of sorbents with specific adsorption affinities for uremic toxins; and a bacterial source which metabolizes urea and ammonia.
7. The method of claim 6 wherein sorbents of the  
25 mixture have specific adsorption affinities for ammonia, urea, creatinine, phenols, indoles, and middle molecular weight molecules.